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CAUSELESS SUICIDE
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NO KNOWN GROUND FOR THE
 RASH ACT OF CORPORAL C. E.
 LEWIS YESTERDAY MORNING—
 INQUEST TOMORROW.

Yesterday morning at 8 o'clock Corporal Charles E. Lewis, the young soldier, who shot himself in the head in one of the boxes of Swan Wilson's saloon at Fourteenth and Commercial streets, six hours before, died at St. Mary's hospital. He was never really conscious after being taken to the hospital, and when Chief of Police Charles Gammal called upon him early yesterday morning, in the hope of securing some statement in relation to the tragedy, he was in no shape to recognize anyone, and died without regaining his faculties at all. Dr. Pilkington had charge of the case at the hospital. The remains were at once taken in charge by Coroner W. C. A. Pohl, who has ordered an inquest, at his office tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Mrs. J. A. Robertson, of Chinook, the woman who was with him when he went to pieces so desperately, and took a shot at her without hitting her, and who was placed in the city prison immediately after the shooting, was turned over later in the day to Sheriff M. R. Pomeroy, and lodged in the Clatsop county jail pending the course of the inquest at which she will be the most important witness.

There were rumors about the city yesterday that Mrs. Robertson had done the shooting herself, but this was discontinued later in the day by her straight-forward story of the deplorable event. She made no effort to conceal anything and talked to the point on every detail of questioning to which she was subjected; and aside from the disreputable incidents of time and place and circumstances under which she was his companion, there is no charge lying against her.

Inquiry at Fort Columbia develops the fact that young Lewis was very popular among his comrades of the Twenty-third company, coast artillery, and there is sincere regret down there among the boys for his unhappy ending. They say he was an excellent soldier and a faithful comrade, always at the service of his friends and rigorously dutiful in a military way.

The company desires to have charge of the body after the coroner shall have relinquished it, and it will be buried with military honors if possible. Charles E. Lewis was a native of Philadelphia, and had been with the Thirty-third just three years, one month and twenty days, and was about 25 years of age. He held some fine records for drilling duties in the company and was counted a first class soldier at Columbia.

BIG PROJECT AFOOT.

Immense Logging Preparations in the Country South of Astoria.

One of Astoria's best known young citizens who has just returned from a trip down in the Olney neighborhood, brings the cheerful intelligence, that he met a group of surveyors at work down there, who claimed to be out running lines for a logging railway fifteen miles in length, from the Olney section into the Nehalem, in the interest of the Western Oregon Improvement company, a Portland concern, that intends to put in a huge camp down there early in the spring; and who will, it is claimed, put a body of 300 workmen on by the first of May to rush their railway to completion.

A man by the name of Taylor is out at the head of the enterprise and says there is no possible doubt of the purpose, or scope, of the plans of his principals, and that they will inaugurate one of the biggest camps in all this country before the season is well advanced. Other than the mere name of the company, he would not yield any specific data; but gave what he did, with the frankest and most convincing assurance. "Rah," for old Clatsop!

P. R. & N., Getting Busy—The Pacific Railway & Navigation Company has filed in the office of the county clerk for Columbia county right-of-way deeds from the twenty-mile post north east of Buxton to the town of Vernonia before the first day of January, 1908, and are in conformity with the proposition to build to that place made by Mr. Little and it is undoubtedly assumed that Vernonia will be on the railroad map within less than a year. Right-of-way men are now securing deeds, between Vernonia and Pittsburg. The line follows the Nehalem valley past Mist to Humbug Creek. The surveyors are now working on the permanent location below Pittsburg, Oregon mist.

Five Cents to \$3.00—When you feel like "sponging" a bit, drop into Frank Hart's drug store and buy a sponge. You can find just what you want, from 5 cents to \$3.00 per sponge.

Morning Astorian, 60 cents a month, delivered by carrier.

A DAY OF HAPPINESS.

How One Busy Astoria Pastor Spent the Day Among Joyful People Yesterday.

Yesterday morning at 8 o'clock Rev. G. E. Rydquist, pastor of the First Lutheran church of this city, left here for Grafs River, whither he was called to perform the gracious ceremony of the church in his marriage of Miss Marie Petersen and Mr. Francis Anderson, both of that pleasant valley country.

The Petersen home was the scene of the happy event and the river was swarming with all manner of craft that had brought in friends of the young people, and the wedding festivities were of the most elaborate and enjoyable sort and lasted the whole day through.

To augment the jollity of the occasion, the parents of the pretty bride supplied the spirit of the day, which was the anniversary of their own wedding twenty-five years ago, by making merry on that score, to which all hands lent the most acquiescent and abundant response; and as if this were not sufficient cause for joy, Mr. and Mrs. Wahlgren, of this city, the sister and brother-in-law, of Mrs. Petersen, whose wedding was coincident with that of the Petersens, also made their appearance with every incentive for pleasure in the celebration of their silver wedding; and it is needless to say the great crowd of guests present were indulged to the utter limit of good things and to endless merriment consequent upon the trio of events.

Mr. Rydquist says he has figured at some jolly affairs in the line of weddings, but he has yet to see anything to compare with the fund of downright pleasure that prevailed at the Petersen home at Grafs River yesterday, and he left long before the gala festivities were at an end, almost wearied with the sum of the day's bright developments; but he had no sooner landed in this city, than his services were again demanded in behalf of Miss Martie Hogell and Mr. Charles O. Greene, of this city, whose wedding he solemnized at the home of the bride near the city reservoir, and at which the pleasant things of the northshore celebrations were duplicated in a large measure.

So much for one day and its quota of happiness for some.

DOWN FROM ALASKA.

L. P. Hunt Arrives Down From Shakan Cannery's New Launch.

L. P. Hunt, general manager of the big Shakan Cannery Company's business at Shakan, Alaska, arrived in the

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city yesterday, to arrange for the shipment of the season's supplies to the northern plant, and to take back the fine motor launch now building at the R. M. Leathers' yards in this city for that concern.

Mr. Hunt reports the prospect fine for the new season and has every reason to believe it will turn out happily for all interested up that way. He is an ex-newspaper-man, and ex-banker and an all-round fish expert, and so he ought to know.

He will leave back for the north sometime next week.

EDITOR DEFENDS ANARCHIST.

Latter is Charged With Death of Twenty-eight Persons.

MADRID, March 23.—Senor Iglesias, editor of the Barcelona revolutionary newspaper, El Progreso, has undertaken to represent Ferrer who is charged with complicity in the bomb throwing which occurred on the day King Alfonso was married and while the royal couple was returning from the church.

A man who was wounded at the time has just died from the effects of his injuries, after ten months of terrible suffering. His is the twenty-eighth death resulting from the explosion.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. G. W. Overmeyer of South Bend Wash., is visiting in this city.

J. Gleason was down from the metropolis yesterday on business.

Thos. Dealey left for Portland yesterday to meet his wife who is returning from a visit to their daughter in California.

Misses Jesse Raymond and Grace De Gaff were down from Portland yesterday.

Jas. Linch of Marshland is a business visitor in this city.

J. L. Healey and wife of Gray's River were in Astoria yesterday.

W. R. Hunt of Portland is in this city on a business trip.

Otto Rosendahl of Chinook was in Astoria yesterday.

J. H. Webb was in from Castle Rock yesterday for a brief visit.

W. H. Woodard came down from Portland yesterday on business.

Dr. Owens Adair returned Friday from a successful business and pleasure trip to North Yakima. She reports that country making wonderful progress.

Charles Humphreys, manager of the Postal Telegraph Company, in this city was a passenger for Oregon City, on last evening's 6:10 express. He will return here on Monday night.

TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

National Bicycles On Sale At Ork-wita's.

Go to A. D. Craig for your tents, awnings and all kinds of canvas work 12th and Exchange.

The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

For Fine Watch and clock repairing go to Frank J. Donnerberg, the reliable jeweler, 111 11th St.

For Rent—A 7 room house with modern bath, rent \$20.00 Inquire at Schofield & Mattson Co.

Singer Sewing Machine Co.—Just received a new stock of Singer and Wheeler & Wilson machines, all the latest styles. Repairing and cleaning of all makes of machines a specialty, come and give us a trial, 172-10th St.

Purchase Completed—Nystrom and Bond paid into the county treasurer the sum of \$150 yesterday the final payment for the county's portable saw-mill, which was at once formally transferred to them.

Police Court—The sum of \$70 was netted in the city treasury by the forfeiture of three balls yesterday. One vagrant was ned \$100 or fifty days in jail, sentence being suspended to allow him into leave town.

Changes Quarters—The Astoria Abstract, Title and Trust Company has outgrown its present quarters on Eleventh street and will in the near future transfer its headquarters to the Reed building on the corner of Eleventh and Duane streets.

In Behalf of Heirs—Judge Trenchard yesterday made the following orders in estate cases pending in the probate department; In the matter of the guardianship of Elmer and Rosa Nyquist, an order was made setting apart the sum of \$25, each for the clothing of the minors named; In the matter of the estate of James Brown, deceased, an order was entered approving the second account of the administratrix, and also one directing her to mortgage certain realty belonging to the estate.

Do you feel sleepy and not a bit working in the afternoon? Perhaps it's because of the kind of lunch you're eating—too heavy and too hard to digest. Why not try the Palace restaurant on Commercial street, where all the baking is done in those famous slow-process ovens, which turn out light, appetizing wholesome things? You'll save money, too. If

Dell B. Scully, Notary Public, at Scully's Cigar Store. Any old hour!

Fractures Ribs—W. H. Twilight of Knappa broke two of his ribs by a fall Friday afternoon and was taken to this city yesterday for treatment. His injuries though painful are not serious.

For Electric Service—Installation or repair work, go to J. S. Vernon, electrician, No. 467 Exchange street, telephone, Main 2448. All manner of electric and telephone work done at short notice.

Filling the vacancy.—The departure of W. A. Sherman from the Sherman Transfer Company's office to that of Fisher Brothers' Company, as book-keeper for the latter concern, has made it necessary for the former house to secure a good man as cashier and book-keeper, and they have been fortunate enough to secure Mike Leahy, the well known cashier for the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company, in this city, who will take over the Sherman books on April first.

Complain of Conditions—Almost every trip of the steamer Nahotta, from the northshore she brings a group of dissatisfied Italian workmen from the construction camps of Erickson & Peterson, who are building the extension of the I. R. & N. railway to Knappa. They complain bitterly of lack of comfortable housing during the severe weather, and say there is practically no place at all to sleep. Twenty-seven came over on Friday's boat, and thirty-two arrived last night with their checks in their pockets.

All Want the Best—When one goes in search of amusement of a certain kind, as, for instance, a fine line of moving pictures, he wants the best and latest and will not be satisfied with thread-bare and common presentations. In this line, the films now on at the Waldorf are said to be among the real artistic work of that kind programmed in this western country. In all there are six of these realistic strings and all are living portrayals of the leading events of history, such as the "Bennington at San Diego;" the "Transfer of Paul Jones;" the "Two Champion Wrestling Matches of the World;" the "Slums of Paris;" "Monsieur Beaucalre, or the Gentleman Friend;" and others of equal and remarkable fidelity, make up a series of entertaining items not to be discounted in this city.

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